

A Meeting of Margaretting Parish Council took place in The Meeting Room at Margaretting Village Hall, Wantz Road on Thursday 14th November 2024 at 7.30 p.m.

Present; H Blurton, T Paoli-Burke, C Quilter, D Smith and A Wallace (Chairman)

53. Apologies for absence were received from S Upton.

54. Declarations of Interest. There were no Declarations of Interest.

55. The minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 10th October 2024 were agreed and signed as a true and correct record.

56. Matters Arising

a. Pylons. A Wallace reported that things had slowed down any updates would be reported at the December meeting.

b. A Wallace to speak to the Landlady of The Black Bull regarding the rubbish opposite.

57. Accounts.

Authority was given for payment of the following;

Bartletts Trees	£744.00
M D Landscapes	£267.60
H Blurton (Wreath)	£ 25.00
Margaretting PCC	£600.00

Clerk reported that The Precept would be on December's agenda.

58. Planning

Decisions

24/01219/FUL Longcroft, Maldon Road Refused

Two storey rear extension. Addition of a dormer window. New front bay window with pitched roof. External alterations.

24/01277/FUL Eastfield Farm, Main Road Refused

Retrospective application for a replacement building in lieu of existing buildings for purposes ancillary to building contractor's yard.

59. Community Matters

a. Maldon Road Playing Field. C Quilter reported that there had been no problems in the playing field. Now that the notice board was in place it needed some notices on it.

b. Bollards opposite Bishops Court – nothing to report.

c. Allotments. D Smith reported that D Cannon was waiting for the vegetation to die down before he could start stimming the area. The triangled area at the crossroads had been tidied up. D Cannon had a jet washer for cleaning the village signs.

60. Village Hall Report.

D Smith reported that the Race Night was coming together and all eight races had sponsorship.

The school had enquired if they could use the playing field, which is being looked into with risk assessment etc.

New hire rates were being finalised which will come into force in the new year.

61. Village Sites.

a. Trees. H Blurton reported that the weeping pears at the War Memorial had been pruned and the new tree had been planted by the pond.

b. H Blurton requested that 'Refurbishment of the War Memorial' be added to the agenda as it needed a clean and overhaul.

c. Roads, Pavements, Grass Verges, Rights of Way and Bridleways. C Quilter asked about the bridleway over the A12 on the way to Galleywood. It was agreed that this came within Galleywood Parish. H Blurton to keep looking at the Enforcement Notices to see if anything comes up. Clerk to message the clerk at Galleywood. There had been a problem with dog fouling on footpath 22 and a sign had gone up to remind people to clear up after their dogs.

62. Any Other Business.

a. D Smith reported that Margaretting Relief in Need were putting a Christmas Tree up at the pond.

b. H Blurton reported that he would be attending Cllr I Grundy's Funeral with his wife. It was agreed that the Parish Council would make a donation to his chosen charity at the December meeting.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.16 p.m.

Next meeting Thursday 12th December 2024 at 7.30 p.m. in The Meeting Room at The Village Hall.